

# Wisconsin Hepatitis C Surveillance Summary

Cases Reported 01/01/2005 through 12/31/2005

## Summary

Total	2,732	100%
Confirmed (1)	2,127	78%
Unconfirmed (2)	605	22%

## Gender

Males	1,800	66%
Females	920	34%
Unknown	12	0%

## Age

0-12	8	0%
13-19	26	1%
20-29	174	6%
30-39	359	13%
40-49	1,075	39%
50+	1,086	40%
Unknown	4	0%

## Race

White	904	33%
Black	232	8%
Am Indian	34	1%
Asian	17	1%
Other	8	0%
Unknown	1,537	56%

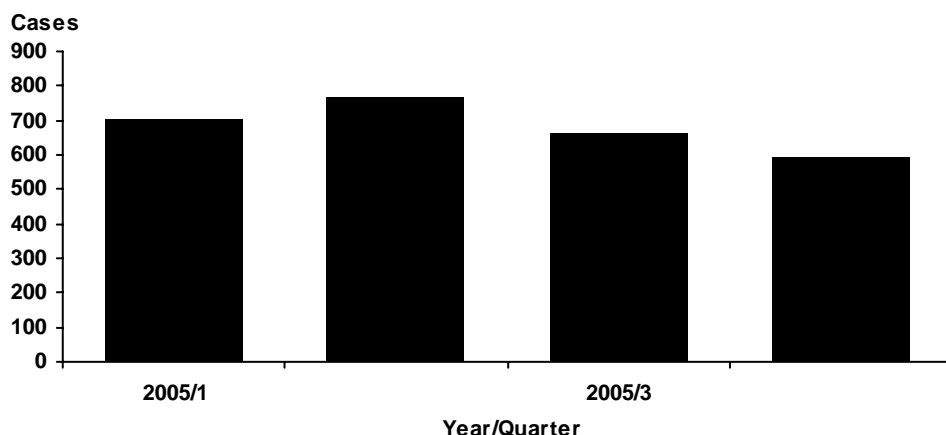
## Ethnicity

Hispanic	84	3%
Not Hispanic	920	34%
Unknown	1,728	63%

## Reported cases by county

Adams	11	Florence	1	Marathon	22	Rusk	8
Ashland	11	Fond Du Lac	17	Marinette	10	St Croix	11
Barron	11	Forest	5	Marquette	3	Sauk	16
Bayfield	2	Grant	1	Menominee	3	Sawyer	1
Brown	56	Green	5	Milwaukee	752	Shawano	5
Buffalo	1	Green Lake	1	Monroe	18	Sheboygan	26
Burnett	7	Iowa	2	Oconto	7	Taylor	2
Calumet	3	Iron	2	Oneida	15	Trempealeau	2
Chippewa	10	Jackson	5	Outagamie	26	Vernon	5
Clark	9	Jefferson	14	Ozaukee	12	Vilas	10
Columbia	11	Juneau	16	Pepin	1	Walworth	40
Crawford	5	Kenosha	87	Pierce	11	Washburn	2
Dane	154	Kewaunee	3	Polk	6	Washington	15
Dodge	14	La Crosse	37	Portage	22	Waukesha	55
Door	9	Lafayette	2	Price	2	Waupaca	15
Douglas	39	Langlade	5	Racine	79	Waushara	5
Dunn	4	Lincoln	5	Richland	3	Winnebago	44
Eau Claire	35	Manitowoc	8	Rock	74	Wood	20
						Unknown	776

## Reported cases by quarter



## Footnotes:

(1) Confirmed: A positive enzyme immunoassay test result with a high signal-to-cut-off ratio, recombinant immunoblot assay (RIBA) or polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test result, a detectable viral load or identified genotype.  
(2) Unconfirmed: A positive enzyme immunoassay test result with a low or unknown signal-to-cut-off ratio and no other test result reported.

## Technical Notes:

a. This report is compiled by the Wisconsin Hepatitis C Program and is based on reports of hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection submitted by laboratories and local health departments (LHDs). HCV infection is a reportable communicable disease by Wisconsin administrative rule (HFS 145, Appendix A). When cases are reported, LHDs contact persons with HCV infection to provide health education, risk reduction counseling, hepatitis A and B vaccine and medical referral as needed.

b. Many cases of HCV infection are reported by laboratories. Since laboratories do not generally report demographic data such as region, race, or age, surveillance summary data by demographic characteristics are often incomplete.

c. Most reported cases of HCV infection represent chronic disease in persons who were infected years ago. Persons with acute infection are often unaware of their infection because it presents with few if any symptoms.

## For more information:

Questions regarding Wisconsin hepatitis C data may be directed to Sheila Guilfoyle (608) 266-5819. Annual Hepatitis C Surveillance Summaries are posted on the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services hepatitis C website at: [www.dhfs.wisconsin.gov/dph\\_bcd/hepatitis/](http://www.dhfs.wisconsin.gov/dph_bcd/hepatitis/)